

The June 3, 2015 Regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Supervisor Tollisen in the A. James Bold Meeting Room at the New Town Hall with the following members present:

Kevin J. Tollisen, Supervisor
Paul L. Hotaling, Councilman
Daphne V. Jordan, Councilwoman
John P. Wasielewski, Councilman
Jeremy W. Connors, Councilman
Lyn A. Murphy, Town Attorney
Cathy L. Drobny, Deputy Town Attorney
Lynda A. Bryan, Town Clerk

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE and MOMENT OF SILENCE

PRESENTATION – K9 HOGAN AND DEPUTY SHERIFF JEFFREY O’CONNOR

Supervisor Tollisen: We have one item that was not on the agenda this evening that we added. Over the past week you may have known that one of our Law Enforcement canines had to be to rest. He was a canine that was important to the Saratoga County Sheriff’s Department. He was a Deputy and his owner and handler is here tonight. We would like to say a special honor of this canine who was a member of the Halfmoon community. He worked with his Deputy and owner and kept us safe and protected our neighborhoods. So tonight we have a short presentation that we would like to present to the Saratoga County Sheriff’s Department in honor of Deputy Canine Hogan.

TOWN OF HALFMOON RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Halfmoon was recently saddened to learn of the unexpected death of Deputy Jeffrey O’Connor’s K9 partner Hogan; and

WHEREAS, K9 Hogan was an active member of the Saratoga County Sheriff’s Office serving as one of the 10 K9s currently working with the department to help keep our community safe; and

WHEREAS, K9 Hogan was a valued member of the Saratoga County Sheriff’s Office and beloved member of Deputy O’Connor’s family who will be greatly missed by members of the Sheriff’s Office and members of the community which he served;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the Town Board of the Town of Halfmoon hereby recognizes K9 Hogan for his service to our community and expresses their deep regret for his loss.
2. That a certified copy of this Resolution will be entered into the Town records proclaiming the Town of Halfmoon’s recognition of K9 Hogan.
3. That a copy of this resolution be presented to Sheriff Michael Zurlo and to Deputy Sheriff Jeffrey O’Connor, on behalf of K9 Hogan.

DATED: JUNE 3, 2015

**KEVIN J.TOLLISEN, SUPERVISOR
TOWN OF HALFMOON**

RESOLUTION NO. 191

Offered by Councilman Wasielewski, seconded by Councilman Connors: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Tollisen, Hotaling, Wasielewski, Jordan & Connors

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Halfmoon hereby recognizes K9 Hogan for his service to our community and expresses their deep regret for his loss.

Supervisor Tollisen: I would ask Deputy O'Connor and the other Deputies to come forward and I would like to present this to you. I would like the Town Board to come up as well and our Saratoga County Board of Supervisor's Chairman is here tonight Matt Veitch and please come up as well as we present this resolution.

Next on our agenda and this does not happen very often but the Chairman of the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors is here with us tonight. He is the sitting Supervisor of Saratoga Springs. He is our leader at the county and puts in a million hours at the county. Without further ado; Chairman Matt Veitch is going to come up and give us a presentation of what's going on at the county, Chairman.

PRESENTATION – CHAIRMAN OF THE SARATOGA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, MATTHEW VEITCH PRESENTION OF WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE COUNTY

Matthew Veitch: Thank you Supervisor Tollisen and the Town Board for giving me some time to speak at your meeting tonight. I am proud to say that the county began 2015 with a budget that did not increase property taxes on our residents for the first time in four years. We have also begun to restore our unappropriated fund balance to a level that gives us some measure of financial stability in our budget. Because of this we were able to move some minacity initiatives forward, like restoring \$250,000 to our farm land and open space protection fund and for the first time we are also appropriating \$100,000 to trail initiatives within the county.

We restored a portion of our funding to the Saratoga County Chamber of Commerce for their tourism promotion efforts. We also added some funding to the Southern Saratoga County Chamber of Commerce in their efforts in promoting the businesses in this part of the county. We added funds for Saratoga County to join the National Association of Counties, which will help us, take advantage of Federal Purchasing Accounts and keep abreast of how federal laws and programs affect us here in Saratoga County. We will be promoting our agriculture by updating the Saratoga Farm Guide which has been in need of an update for several years now. The County will be a partner in hosting a reception at the Saratoga Springs City Center for our Vietnam Veterans and we will be reinstating our popular veteran's concert later this year. These are some of the things that we were able to provide to our county this year since our financial condition has improved.

First, I want to mention with the progress that we have made with our new Economic Development Corporation, the Saratoga County Prosperity Partnership. Last year after adopting the county's first ever Economic Development Strategic Plan, we created the corporation and recruited some of Saratoga County's finest leaders in business, education, agriculture and government to serve as its first Board of Directors. We have hired our President, his name is Marty Vaniegs. He is from the Indianapolis area to start moving this organization forward. The partnership has a Facebook page and a web page. We are getting ready to hire some staff so we can work with and effectively serve each of the communities in our county with economic development tools and support that they need so that we can continue the stellar growth that we have achieved as a county.

Last year we began a process to change how we handle the County Recycling Program. Saratoga County was one of the first New York State counties to do a recycling program back in 1988. What we did was multi stream recycling where each type of recyclable material is separated out and put in separate bins for delivery at the process facility. Over the past years, this outdated process was costing the county about \$500,000 a year to operate. The cost to run the program is not keeping up with the revenues generated by the sale of recyclables. As many of you may now do a single stream recycling where all of the recyclables are placed in one bin and then separated at processing facility somewhere else is more efficient and easier to understand and cost effective to run. The county expects to save somewhere in the range of about \$250,000 a year by doing recycling this way. I believe the closest county recycling center that Halfmoon is in is the Town of Clifton Park. I think that's right. We have five recycling centers in Saratoga County.

A few short years ago things looked pretty bad in terms of our county's technology. Paper based systems, IT infrastructure that was literally being held together with duct tape, was poorly functioning and out of date. Computers, monitors, and other devices all spoke to a need to focus on this and make it a county priority. In 2013 we implemented an electronic time card system for our employees which did away with the paper based process that we were using to record employee time. Last year we put several hundred thousand dollars into our IT infrastructure and we will be doing that again this year. I am proud to say that things are working much better. Additionally, all of the working computers in our facilities county wide were upgraded. We have a Wi-Fi in the Board of Supervisors chambers and available to the public and we are using our email systems more effectively and try to use less paper whenever possible. We are generally operating more efficiently with technology.

I felt the time was right to transform our Advisory Technology Committee to a full fledge standing committee this year. This committee will be tasked with looking at ways we can make our county's operations even more efficient through technology and work with our data processing department to implement any recommendations that are made. One important aspect of the county's delivering Health and Human Services to our most needy population. I have asked Supervisor Tollisen to chair our Public Health Committee for this year. His committee has a broad responsibility from managing the overall public health of the county and the public health Nursing services in our county as well as making sure the mental health and other related services are being delivered efficiently and as cost effectively as possible. He is doing a great job so far.

The last item that I wish to focus on in 2015 and certainly not the least is Public Safety. Today, we are almost daily given news reports, things that you see on the internet, issues of public safety, it's a very hot topic and on the mind of our residents for various reasons. My task for the Public Safety Committee working alongside our Sheriff is to evaluate all aspects of the department from the patrols to prisoner transports to dispatching as well as the county jail. Our Sheriff is to be commended for the many efficiencies and cost saving measures that he has put into place in his department, but there is more to be done. With the looming heroin epidemic and how we handle this growing threat to our citizens, to looking into body cameras for our deputies, to upgrading our substations. We need to examine how we spend our public dollars on the protection of our residents.

My hope is that solid recommendations come from this committee in 2015 and we do what we can to make any necessary changes that need to be made. These are not the only things that we will be working on in 2015. Public Works, keeping NYRA Racing and Gaming, Economic and Development among other things are all things that we will be working in this year. I do want to thank again Supervisor Tollisen for inviting me to the meeting today and the Town Board for all you guys are doing and for allowing me some time and make some remarks tonight. Lastly, if there is anything that I can do as a county chairman to assist the town on any issue, please let me know and I will do everything that I can to help at the county level. I just want to say have a good meeting tonight, I will not be staying. I did meet the winner of the Logo Contest and great job, it looks great up there! Enjoy.

Supervisor Tollisen: Thank you Chairman Veitch. Chairman Veitch is a very active supervisor and he has made a promise to go to every single town throughout the county and speak at each Town Board meeting. He is once again fulfilling his promise and he gets to go all the way up to the way north towns. We are happy that he is our chairman and he is doing a really good job!

PRESENTATION – HALFMOON HISTORICAL SOCIETY LOGO CONTEST

Supervisor Tollisen: The next item on the agenda, we are happy to have our Historical Society with us tonight and members of the Logo Contest and I am going to ask our liaison to Halfmoon Historical Society to make the presentation.

Clerk Bryan: Thank you very much. This has been a very exciting Logo Contest. It has been done as a joint effort with both the Halfmoon Historical Society and the

Southern Saratoga Chamber of Commerce as well as the three schools that encompass Halfmoon; Waterford- Halfmoon, Shenendehowa and Mechanicville. Now, I would like to invite Jim Bold, President of the Halfmoon Historical Society to come up and do a presentation and certainly can't be done without Pete Bardunias from the Southern Saratoga County Chamber of Commerce. It was wonderful with everyone all working together for a very good cause, Jim.

President Jim Bold: Since this project started under the encouragement of the Southern Saratoga County Chamber of Commerce, I think that it is only right that I ask Peter to say a couple of comments before I get into the presentations.

Pete Bardunias, President of the Southern Saratoga County Chamber of Commerce: Thank you all very much. You know, he is being way too modest. He was the one who wanted to figure out what we could do about a logo and we just came up with an idea. We had started to have some experience with this but I all honesty it was your Historical Society that was working very hard to come up with some really good meaningful approaches to how to portray the history of Halfmoon. Halfmoon has a very rich history, a wonderful history and I also think that it has a really great present and a great future. There are a lot of things coming together here. It really is an honor to represent the Town of Halfmoon as your local Chamber of Commerce leader. The excitement for me as a business community leader is that we have been able to form some really great partnerships involving our education and business communities and our government and concerned citizens all working together to do some really great things at the grass roots level. Whether it be going to fix a really old historic Eric Canal lock or straighten out a paint job at the local museum or make sure we are at various fairs and festivals or draw maps for the Village of Waterford. There are all of these different things and here we are now working with our students making something as significant as creating a new image and logo for the Historical Society. All of these things put together are helping create a robust and rich community here and build upon everything that all of you have worked for as a community in your time here. So we are all doing this together. It is exciting to be a part of it and one of the best things for me was the fact that this project for the first time brought together the three school districts, Shenendehowa, Waterford- Halfmoon and Mechanicville together to do something. We really appreciate it. It was great to work with everyone involved in the project and I look forward to doing a lot more. We are definitely going to keep our educators and our colleagues and our business people busy.

Again, Mr. Bold, thank you. I appreciate the compliments but here is the original brain trust right here who wanted to make something happen and we did it!

Jim Bold: I have been called a lot of things but I have never been called a brain trust. Peter, I thought it only fitting that I present you with an Honorary Membership card to our Historical Society President's Club.

Pete Bardunias: Thank you. I appreciate it.

Jim Bold: Fern Hurley and Liz from the Chamber they both helped an awful lot on this, they really held our hand.

Pete Bardunias: Yes, Fern especially who represents CAPTAIN Youth and Family Services and we all know the things that CAPTAIN does to help all those in our community who need a little bit of extra helping hands. Fern has been chair of our Education and Business Partnership Committee for quite some time. She took a committee that was kind of trying to find its way and reenergized it and made it into something that has gotten literally national attention from the team project bringing together all of those students to work on this. Fern especially is someone to watch. She is another Southern Saratoga County resident as is Liz who has been working for us now for 15 years and is a wonderful lady and we really appreciate the fact that you recognize them. Thank you.

Jim Bold: Before I get into the actual awards I would like to lay a little bit of ground work. I want to mention some of the activities that our Society has been involved with over the past year and a half. Public exhibits are sometimes in the Historical

Society building, frequently in the Clifton Park – Halfmoon Library and even more often right here in the lobby of this building.

The Vintage dresses, the 1913 Cyclone, Townsman News clippings, 70th anniversary "Battle of the Bulge" Crossing of the Mohawk River at Crescent, Corporal Secor, First Stamp from Halfmoon Post Office on Route 9, the series of Old Tools with 50 items there, and some Waterfront Archeology.

Some of the projects that we have been involved in and doing public presentations are mostly video recorded. Certainly, we have worked with the town on the new webpage, the Heritage Hunters from Saratoga County on the History Faire, 2015 Patron Program which has various levels of sponsorship and has increased the amounts that people have donated and also went from 42 to 50 members, the Logo Project, we moved the tool crib to the Historical Society building which we will be setting up a public display of old tools. This is an example of different groups working together to bring that tool crib to its present location. The Town Board was very cooperative, the man who donated the crib so happens to be here tonight, but the Highway Department played a major role in moving this and folks from the Buildings and Grounds Maintenance group and of course the volunteers from the Historical Society. This is the way it is supposed to work with all of the different groups working together to make it happen. Nice job! We interviewed one of our life long residents who is here this evening. We hosted the County Clerk here one evening with a presentation "Our Home and Our History". We have many new artifacts that have been donated this past year and we have re-cataloged our collection that has over 300 items in it. This is quite a bit for a small group of volunteers and I am proud of all of this. Now for our Logo Contest Presentation!

The first one is **Kasey Joyce from Mechanicville High School, her family and Teacher Katie Dollard**. Each one of the entries has a commonality in terms of the fact that they all have the name of the Society and the date of 1788, but this particular entry also has the geographical outline of the town as it exists today. This is not the way it existed in 1788 because back then it was much larger as it included all of Clifton Park, Waterford and Mechanicville and even a little bit of North Colonie. So Kasey, I would like to present you with the certificate of behalf of the Halfmoon Historical Society. We want to thank you and congratulate you give to this "Special Recognition Award: 2015 Logo Project, the quality and artistic ability you showed on this project was greatly appreciated and your entry was very impressive" You are also receiving an Honorary Patron Member card to our Society and \$25 award. I thank you and your teacher Katie Dollard.

Katelynn Wulff from Waterford - Halfmoon High School and her family. This particular logo entry is quite different. Notice the agricultural scenes here. It was so clever the way she intermingled the name of the Society on the cross arms of the railroad, the railroad track leading into a farm scene. What we are going to do with this, is to frame it and have it on permanent display in the society building. I would like to present you with the Special Recognition Certificate, Honorary Patron Member Card, \$25 cash award. Carol Donnally, your teacher was not able to be here tonight but we have a note from the School Superintendent Patrick Palmerville that reads as follows:

"As Superintendent of Waterford – Halfmoon school, I would first thank you for giving our students the opportunity to participate in the logo activity. I know that the students enjoyed the process. Unfortunately, I will be unable to attend tomorrow night's recognition because it is also our elementary school concert night. Our High School Administrator's hoped to attend but also have conflicts. Our High School Art Teacher Carol Donnally recently had to take a short leave for medical issues. We feel awful that we will not be there to support our student Katelynn. I want to make sure that you are aware of it prior to the night in recognition of Katelynn."

Thank you very much for a nice job!

Second Place Winner Matthew Moore, his family and Teacher Sally Wade

Matthew's entry is quite different than the two we have already looked at. Notice the images here. We have an image of a one room schoolhouse which is quite typical in the mid 1900's. I attended such a school myself. We have the twin bridges and a tug boat from the Erie Canal era. This is a very nice set of images.

One of the things that we were looking to accomplish which you and the other students have done is we wanted to have images for our Historical Society which represents some of the historical events or activities that have occurred in the past.

I will also present you with an Honorary Membership and a Second Place Ribbon and a \$50.00 award.

Second Place Winner Mercedes Mc Donough, her family and Teacher Sally Wade

This is a very interesting entry. There are four different images within the circle. One can imagine the Native Americans traversing the waterways in their canoes. We have railroad tracks and roads, they all are indicative of Halfmoon Crossroads. In the center, she puts in an apple orchard. There are two things about that image. In the past there was a lot more agriculture than there is now and as Mercedes has explained to me that she picked up the information about the Mott orchard which is a project that Lynda made a presentation on some time ago.

Mercedes, I also want to present you with an Honorary Membership and a Second Place Ribbons and a \$50.00 award.

The Winer of our Logo Contest is Callie Schweitzer, her family and Teacher Sally Wade

This also is a very interesting entry. Just like the other entries it clearly states the name of the society and the 1788 date. Just quickly, 1788 was the date of our first Town Board meeting. The minutes from that meeting are in the Town Clerk's vault. The meeting was held in a stone house down on the Mohawk River. The large date stone from that house weighs approximately 300 pounds and has the date 1718 carved into it which was the date the house was built and is on permanent display at the Historical Society building. That is a little bit of background on the date on all of the logos.

The first image being the sailing ship which is very typical of the ships that the Dutch fur traders would have used when they were coming into the lower Hudson and then later into the middle Hudson. The folks who were settling down in Kingston ten into the Albany area, they went over land into Schenectady and began to migrate into what is now Southern Saratoga County. So this first image represents the Dutch fur traders or the European immigrants coming into our area.

The second image is a stone arch which represents the Aqueduct which carried the canal across the Mohawk River right where Route 9 is and that was built in the 1820's, and a very important part of our history.

The lower left image you will all recognize as the twin bridges, a 1960's type of construction which is a major link for Saratoga County and all points south. The last image again is a one room schoolhouse and this time we have children in front of it.

The whole thing is nicely done. What is going to happen is the Society is going to use this logo on our letterhead, book covers and on our webpage. We thank you and have an Honorary Member of Historian Club Card and \$100 award.

Supervisor Tollisen: I just want to say from the Town of Halfmoon Town Board to all of you who participated this. These are absolutely amazing artistic renditions. I gladly was not involved in the choosing of these, they are all exceptional. The detail, the picture perfect different details that you gave with respect to the Town of Halfmoon and our history is just amazing. While there is only one winner, you are all winners and from all of us on the Town Board, congratulations to you on a job well done!

PUBLIC HEARING – FALCON TRACE SENIOR LIVING PDD

Supervisor Tollisen, The next item that's on the agenda, the Supervisor is going to recuse off that matter. I am going to ask my Deputy Supervisor to take control of the next item and I will join the students.

Deputy Supervisor Hotaling: Open the Public Hearing at 7:03 pm.

Would anyone like the notice read? Hearing none the applicant will do the presentation.

Craig Christ, I have the pleasure of representing Mr. Bruce Tanski of Bruce Tanski Construction and Development LLC. Today we are here to discuss the proposed amendment to the Falcon Trace of Halfmoon PDD. At this time I am going to turn it over to Mr. Jeffrey Williams to discuss the proposed amendment.

Jeff Williams, Bruce Tanski Construction and Development: We are here tonight to ask for an amendment to the Falcon Trace PDD. The Falcon Trace PDD was first approved in 2010. Our proposed amendment tonight is asking for an increased creation of commercial lots that are allowed in the PDD. Currently there is an allowance of two commercial lots. We are asking for an additional third lot.

The Falcon Trace PDD allowed the construction of a Senior Apartment Complex, some luxury apartments along with two commercial lots. Those commercial lots are known as Lot 2 and Lot 4 on the approved site plans. Lot 2 is located at 201 Fellows Road and is not up for any consideration on tonight's proposal. Lot 4 is located at 173 Route 236 across from the Town's Recreational Park. It is a 5.13 acre parcel. The lot currently has a site plan approval from the Town's Planning Board that allows the development of two 3,000 square foot office buildings and one 4,000 square foot building. The amendment consists of asking to be able to subdivide the 4,000 square foot office portion of Lot 4 and in essence that would be creating the third commercial lot. The subdivision is easily achieved, pending Planning Board approval as the 4,000 square foot portion of Lot 4. Falcon Trace Drive is bounded by Route 236 and a shared boundary with the Jehovah Witness site. The reasoning behind the proposed amendment, it would allow us to be able to sell the lot to a perspective buyer. This proposed amendment does not increase the original boundaries allowed for the commercial development in the original Falcon Trace PDD. It will create all conforming lots to the town's commercial lot specifications and subdivision regulations. It will adhere to all aspects of the original Falcon Trace PDD. In closing, we believe that the proposed amendment will not alter the original intent of the commercial portion of the Falcon Trace PDD. Thank you.

Deputy Supervisor Hotaling: Comments or questions from the Board?

Craig Christ: One final matter. One thing that this Board asked us to address was the trail issue which has been a matter that has been discussed for possibly two years. What we have submitted as a proposal for a monetary contribution in lieu of the trail was detailed on the plan. We think that it is a far more effective use of the funds. We think that's more towards the overall betterment of the town. If the Board has any questions, we would be happy to answer them.

Attorney Murphy: Just for clarification, the amendment to the PDD does not involve the issues surrounding the trail. What I believe the applicant is willing to do at this point and time based on the conversations between the Town Board and the applicant is to agree to the PDD amendment should the Board so choose, be granted, contingent upon a legal contract being signed as outlined by Mr. Christ.

Councilwoman Jordan: I just wanted to explain a little bit because I am the liaison to the Open Space and Trails Committee. In the last year and a half, the Trails Committee is being very specific when someone says that they have a trail to build, they want it to be built according to the trails specifications, trails master plan that the town has. This issue originally came to the Trails Committee from the town because the trail fell into the right away along Fellows Road and wasn't going to be built in a way that would conform to what a trail should be. It actually seemed to be

dangerous. Another problem with the trail was that it didn't really lead to anywhere. So the Trails Committee is trying to put forth trails that actually connect to each other and connect to the Town Park. They need to make sense. This is through no fault of the original PDD, this is just how it happened because they weren't looked at the way they were before. So, it was brought to the Trail's Committee to take a look at it and since there is really no way we could have the trail on Fellows Road, the Trails Committee had suggested that perhaps instead of that trail being built, have a monetary amount and settle with that and to use it for trails in the town. What has been agreed on is a total of \$150,000 in lieu if that trail with \$75,000 being paid within 45 days of acceptance and \$5,000 a month for 15 months, totally the \$150,000. I think that this is making the very best of a situation that needs to be corrected and will be.

Craig Christ: We agree with you.

Councilwoman Jordan: I do agree that approval of the amendment would be contingent on this agreement.

Attorney Murphy: The original language of the PDD says either constructs a trail or gives a monetary amount. This is just a clarification with regards to the language.

Deputy Supervisor Hotaling: Any other comments? Public Comments?

Brian Knowles, 19 Spice Mill Blvd: I have a letter that was prepared by the committee which I would like to read. It gives a little bit more of the background. I am very happy to hear from Mr. Tanski and his representatives that he is willing to work with us. I am reading this on behalf of Sandy Rohner, who is the chair of the Trails and Open Space Committee. I will be brief here.

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Halfmoon, NY 12065
May 29, 2015

Lynda Bryan, Clerk
Town of Halfmoon
2 Halfmoon Town Plaza
Halfmoon, NY 12065

RECEIVED

U.S. POSTAL SERVICE

RE: Falcon Trace POD Amendment
June 3, 2015

LYNDA A

WN CLERK

Dear Ms. Bryan:

The Trails and Open Space Committee recommends to the Town Board that the request for an amendment of the Falcon Trace POD which is the subject of a public hearing on June 3, 2015 be delayed until the developer resolves the public benefit issue outstanding on the main project.

After the main project was completed the developer notified the town that the approximately 5900' of trail included as the public benefit could not be completed as there was no longer sufficient space to do so. An alternative was proposed a year ago that Bruce Tanski Construction would construct 2300' of trail on Upper Newtown Road or another location acceptable to the town and a 4' wide concrete sidewalk along a portion of the Planning Board approved trail location. This proposal was deemed unacceptable as it did not meet the length or quality of the trail included in the POD.

The developer is now renewing his initial proposal of 2300' on Fellows Road and the sidewalk his representative said at one point he intended to build in any case. The Fellows Road portion has been degraded further from an 8' wide trail to one varying from 5' to 7' wide and immediately adjacent to the roadway; the ability to construct a proper trail is quite limited and in fact results in a trail to nowhere. The photo below shows the section of Fellows Road Bruce Tanski Construction proposes to use.

The Trails and Open Space Committee would like to see the public benefits promised by developers in exchange for significant relief from building and zoning standards are in

fact provided to the public. i.e. all the citizens of Halfmoon. This developer has not responded in a constructive manner but has actually degraded his proposed compensations even further. There appear to be some questions as to exactly what was contained in the POD stamped by the town; this question is significantly muddied by the fact that the employee who now represents Mr. Tanski was the town planner who stamped the plans.

The Trails and Open Space Committee has attempted to work cooperatively and collaboratively with Tanski Construction to further community benefits to no avail. We now respectfully request that the Town Board delay approval of all requested

amendments to any part of the Falcon Trace **POD** until the public benefit issue has been successfully resolved.



Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sandra Rohner".

Sandra Rohner, Chair
Trails and Open Space Committee

Councilwoman Jordan: This letter was written prior to the agreement correct and so I believe the Trails Committee is satisfied with the agreement as

Brian Knowles: I don't think that we have met yet on the subject. So, I can only speak for myself as a citizen of Halfmoon. I think it is moving in the right direction.

Councilman Connors: Mr. Knowles, you were aware of the outcome of this with the forthcoming of Mr. Tanski and his construction outfit to insure that he would benefit the town in a positive way with a monetary donation if you will a monetary substance in lieu of, correct?

Brian Knowles: Was I aware?

Councilman Connors: Were you aware? Just prior to the letter, I just wanted to know if you were aware or not.

Brian Knowles: No, that letter proceeded and in fact that was one of the issues. We were glad to see, and I am speaking for myself now as a member of the committee and not the whole committee that this is obviously a positive direction which I support.

Councilman Connors: Thank you.

Deputy Supervisor Hotaling: Any other comments?

Henrietta O’Grady, Churchill Road: I am a member of the Trails Committee and I am happy to report that as long as all of the conditions of the original PDD application are met or agreed upon with the town, that I personally would have no objection to this amendment. Thank you.

Deputy Supervisor Hotaling: Anyone else? Hearing none I would like to close the public hearing at 7:58 pm. What is the Board pleasure?

Councilman Wasielewski: I would like to make a motion for a negative SEQRA declaration.

RESOLUTION NO. 192

Offered by Councilman Wasielewski, seconded by Councilman Connors: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Hotaling, Wasielewski, Jordan & Connors
Recused: Tollisen,

RESOLVED, that the Town Board approves a negative SEQRA declaration in conjunction with this motion for the Falcon Trace PDD amendment.

Councilwoman Jordan: I just want a motion attached for a signed written agreement for \$150,000 paid to the town in lieu of the original proposed trail with \$75,000 being paid within 45 days of acceptance and \$5,000 monthly installments for 15 months.

Attorney Murphy: I’m sorry; I don’t think that I heard. You are making a motion to amend the PDD contingent upon the details you just set forth?

Councilwoman Jordan: Absolutely.

RESOLUTION NO. 193

Offered by Councilwoman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Connors: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Hotaling, Wasielewski, Jordan & Connors
Recused: Tollisen,

RESOLVED, that the Town Board approves amending the Falcon Trace PDD to create an additional third commercial lot contingent upon a signed written agreement for \$150,000 paid to the town in lieu of the original proposed trail with \$75,000 being paid within 45 days of acceptance and \$5,000 monthly installments for 15 months.

Deputy Supervisor Hotaling: Madam Clerk, please poll the Board

POLL OF THE BOARD:

Councilman Connors	Aye
Councilwoman Jordan	Aye
Councilman Wasielewski	Aye
Deputy Supervisor Hotaling	Aye

Bruce Tanski: I would like to thank the Board to finally put this to bed. It has been a long arduous process. Again, thank you very much.

COMMUNITY EVENTS:

LifeSong will be holding their 3rd Annual Daffodil Dash on June 6th at the Halfmoon Town Park – starting at 10:00 am. Run to support those with differing disabilities.

Join Abele Builders in the fight to end diabetes, Tour DeCure on June 7th at Saratoga Springs High School. Visit www.diabetes.org/saratoga to “Join a Team” or for more information.

Mike and the Monsters Concert (Cover Band-Rock Powerhouse) June 11th at 6:30 pm – 9:00 pm at the Town Park

Movie Night in the Park: June 19th “Weather Permitting” at Dusk in the Town Park

Sundae on the Farm – June 21st from 12:00 – 4:00 pm (Father’s Day) at Smith Bros. Dairy Farm & Orchard Bake Shop

Betsy and the ByGons with a Cruise-In: July 9th from 6:00 – 9:00 pm at the Town Park

Movie Night in the Park: July 17th “Weather Permitting” at Dusk in the Town Park

TOWN MEETINGS:

Town Board Meetings: 1st & 3rd Wednesday of month at 7:00 pm except May 7th at 2:00pm

Zoning Board of Appeals: 1st Monday of month at 7:00 pm.

Planning Board Meeting: 2nd & 4th Monday of month at 7:00 pm.

Board of Assessment Review: 4th Tuesday in May

Senior Center Business Meeting: 1st Wednesday of month at 1:00 pm

Halfmoon Historical Society: Last Tuesday of month at 7:00 pm

Zoning Review Committee: 3rd Thursday of month

Open Space & Trails Committee: February 9th, April 20th, May 18th, July 20th, September 21, & November 16th.

Resident Relations Committee:

Business & Economic Development Committee:

REPORTS OF BOARD MEMBERS AND TOWN ATTORNEY

Paul Hotaling (Deputy Supervisor): (1) Chair of Parks & Recreation, Infrastructure (Water, Highway, Building & Maintenance), (2) Co-Chair of Character Counts, (3) Chair on Committee on Baseball/Athletic Organizations, (4) Chair of Personnel Committee, (5) Co-Chair of Zoning Review Committee

LifeSong will be holding their 3rd Annual Daffodil Dash on June 6th at the Halfmoon Town Park – starting at 10:00 am. Run to support those with differing disabilities.

Halfmoon Celebrations is starting up their concert series and movie nights this month.

John Wasielewski: No report this evening

Daphne Jordan (Town Board Member): (1) Chair of Business and Economic Development (2) Chair of Insurance (Liability and Medical) (3) Liaison to Open Space and Trails Committee, (4) Co- Liaison to Zoning Board

I just wanted to comment because we honored our K9 hero that passed this past week, that today in the New York Senate, Senator Kathleen Marchione had a bill passed commemorating K9 Veteran’s Day to be every March 13th. That was when the first K9 I think came into service. Now we will see if it passes in the Assembly.

I am very thankful that the trail issued is finally resolved. The Trails Committee can move ahead with other projects that they are working on and also, that there is

another business that is going to be coming to town on that plot and of course I am chair of the Business and Economic Development Committee. I happy that another business will be coming into our town, and glad to have that resolved.

Jeremy Connors: No report this evening.

Paul Hotaling (Deputy Supervisor): A lot of great things happening in Halfmoon. We have a new Toddler Playground. Our Woodin Road Baseball Park is now the new Halfmoon Girl Softball Park. The Highway and Building & Maintenance departments have worked hard to make the changes and now our girls have a field to call their own. Hats everyone for all their hard work.

Rec signup deadline is this Friday on the 5th. The fees will double after the deadline. Thank you.

Kevin J. Tollisen (Town Supervisor) I have just one item for me tonight. Every now and then I like to give a little report on the Town Budget. For the first five months of the year, the town budget is actually on budget! The actual budgeted numbers that we have, we are meeting those projections. We are happy to report that. If you remember last year at this time the monies that we were projecting to come in were not coming in and we had to make some significant cuts, about \$550,000 worth of cuts to meet our actual revenues and we are happy to say we did do that. This year our budget is on target. Our budget is very crisp already but I am happy to report that is going well.

Lynda Bryan (Town Clerk): (1) Chair of Senior Programs, (2) Chair of Committee on Historical Archives

Senior Center: The Senior Center held their Association Elections today.

President:	Nancy Morris
Vice President:	Gary Shellenberger
2 nd Vice President:	Tom Thompson
Treasurer:	Ruth Smalley
Assistant Treasurer:	Dorothy Pingelski
Secretary:	Rosemary Hebert
Assistant Secretary:	Jane Hart
3 Board of Directors:	Dick Sawyer, Cindy Ferjanec, & Joyce Michaud

The Town Board appoints 4 persons to the Board of Directors: Michael Cavanaugh, Cory Custer, Kathy DeVoe & Kate Jeanson.

If you know of any seniors, please invite them to join our group. They provide many services on a daily basis; informational programs, exercise, crafts, quilting, wood working, and wonderful trips. You can sign up for lunch 5 days a week for a donation and meet new friends. It's a wonderful program that continues to grow.

Halfmoon Historical Society: As you can see the Historical Society has been quite busy these days. Their monthly meetings will be on hold for the summer, but will resume in September. The Society building however, will be open during the summer with their regular hours which are 1st and 3rd Saturday: 1:00 to 4:00 2nd Wednesday: 1:00 to 4:00 & 6:00 to 8:00. So please stop by and check out what Halfmoon History they are working this summer or possibly help out! Thank you very much.

Supervisor Tollisen: I believe that we would need a resolution to appoint those members to the Board of Directors.

RESOLUTION NO. 194

Offered by Councilwoman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Connors: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Tollisen, Hotaling, Wasielewski, Jordan & Connors

RESOLVED, that the Town Board appoint Michael Cavanaugh, Cory Custer, Kathy DeVoe & Kate Jeanson to the Senior Board of Directors for the Town of Halfmoon.

PUBLIC COMMENT (for discussion of agenda topics)

DEPARTMENT REPORTS – month of May

1. Town Justice Wormuth

Total # Cases – 452 Total Fees Submitted to the Supervisor - \$21,214

2. Town Justice Suchocki

Total # Cases – 294 Total Fees Submitted to the Supervisor - \$31,043.50

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Received from the Town Planning Board Resolutions approving the following: Approval of a Sign(s) for Red Robin, 1 Halfmoon Crossing, Approval for a Change of Tenant/Use & Sign for Tea Plus, 1683 Route 9 (St. John's Plaza), Approval for an In-Home Occupation, Maintain Consulting & Inspection Services, 46 Upper Newtown Road, and Approval of a Commercial Site Plan & Special Use Permit for Kennedy/Choate Garage, 405 Hudson River Road.

Received & Filed

2. Received from the Town Zoning Board Resolutions approving the following: Mr. Speck's shed at 27 Ridgewood Drive and Valente Office/Garage Building and Parking Lot at 118 Button Road was approved for a Use Variance from R-1 to C-1 and will go before the Planning Board for a "Special Use Permit" and Site Plan Review.

Received & Filed

3. Received from the State of New York, Department of State notification that Local Law #4-2015 for 421 Halfmoon Flex Park, amendment to Parkford and NYSEG PDD, was filed by their office on May 22, 2015.

Received & Filed

4. Received from Waste Connections and Capital Region Landfills notification that on June 8, 2015 at the Waterford-Halfmoon Middle School (125 Middletown Road, Waterford) they will provide an update on the Area 7 Development for the Colonie Landfill and where the project stands with respect to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation permitting process.

Received & Filed

5. Received from Sandy Rohner, Chair of the Open Space & trails Committee, a letter asking that the request for an amendment to the Falcon Trace PDD be delayed until the developer resolves the public benefit issue.

Received & Filed

6. Received from Halfmoon – Waterford Fire District No.1, a letter to Supervisor Tollisen giving the Town of Halfmoon permission to park and cross through District property for their functions.

Received & Filed

7. Received from the Halfmoon Justice Court their Court Schedule from July – December 2015

Received & Filed

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION NO. 195

Offered by Councilman Connors, seconded by Councilman Wasielewski: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Tollisen, Hotaling, Wasielewski, Jordan & Connors

RESOLVED, that the Town Board approves and orders paid Vouchers numbered 1057 through 1187 as detailed.

===== FUND TOTALS =====

10 GENERAL FUND	\$829,013.99
20 HIGHWAY FUND	\$304,724.20
25 SPECIAL REVENUE	\$8,323.55
30 CONSOLIDATED WATER	\$328,795.06
35 MISC CAPITAL FUNDS	\$7,263.78

ABSTRACT TOTAL:	\$1,478,120.58
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RESOLUTION NO. 196

Offered by Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Connors: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Tollisen, Hotaling, Wasielewski, Jordan & Connors

RESOLVED, that the Town Board approves the minutes of Town Board meeting of, May 20, 2015 as presented.

RESOLUTION NO. 197

Offered by Councilman Connors, seconded by Councilman Hotaling: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Tollisen, Hotaling, Wasielewski, Jordan & Connors

RESOLVED, that the Town Board amends May 20th Resolutions # 185, 186, & 187 that the rate of pay for Wayne DeSorbe read \$12.94, Stanley Dudek read \$14.88 and John Defelice read \$14.88.

RESOLUTION NO. 198

Offered by Councilwoman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Hotaling: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Tollisen, Hotaling, Wasielewski, Jordan & Connors

RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes submitting to Auctions International, a 2012 Ford F-350 and a 1995 John Deere backhoe from the Highway Department that the Town of Halfmoon no longer has need for.

Supervisor Tollisen: This is per the recommendation of the Highway Superintendent.

RESOLUTION NO. 199

Offered by Councilman Hotaling, seconded by Councilman Wasielewski: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Tollisen, Hotaling, Wasielewski, Jordan & Connors

RESOLVED, that the Town Board approves the changes to the Non-Bid Procurement amounts and to remove the fees under the Town Pavilion and the

Town Clubhouse in employee manual due to these being in the organizational minutes, and to remove the Pavilion Use Permit and the Hold Harmless agreement.

Supervisor Tollisen: Basically, with respect to the Town Pavilion & Clubhouse, I believe that they should not be in the Employee Manual as they don't relate specifically to employees. That is why they are being removed. The Non-Bid Procurements amounts are to come into compliance. There was a gap and we wanted to make sure that this was completely covered.

RESOLUTION NO. 200

Offered by Councilman Connors, seconded by Councilman Hotaling: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Tollisen, Hotaling, Wasielewski, Jordan & Connors

RESOLVED, that the Town Board appoints any and all remaining Beautification and Park's laborer's that need to be hired for part-time summer seasonal work to be paid out of 2015 funds.

RESOLUTION NO. 201

Offered by Councilman Connors, seconded by Councilman Hotaling: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Tollisen, Hotaling, Wasielewski, Jordan & Connors

RESOLVED, that the Town Board appoints Christian McMahon as a full time Laborer at the Water Department at Grade 2 Base Pay \$14.88/hr. effective immediately, per completion of all per employment testing.

Supervisor Tollisen: This again is at the direction of our Water Superintendent. Christian is here tonight. Congratulations Christisan, welcome aboard.

RESOLUTION NO. 202

Offered by Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Connors: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Tollisen, Hotaling, Wasielewski, Jordan & Connors

RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorize the bid advertising for the construction of the Crescent Road Multi-Use Trail Project in the Newspapers of Record and in the New York State Contract Reporter.

WHEREAS, the Town Board authorized funding pursuant to the Federal-State Marchiselli Federal Aid Program for the Crescent Road Multi-Use Path to construct a Bicycle and Pedestrian Trail from Okte Elementary School in the Town of Clifton Park to Morris Lane Road in the Town of Halfmoon, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Halfmoon and Clifton Park have completed the acquisition of all necessary interests in Real Property to complete necessary Rights of Way for construction and maintenance of the Trail within their Town, and

WHEREAS, the Project will run along the South Side of Crescent Road from Morris Lane over Interstate 87, in the Town of Halfmoon, through the Exit 8 commercial area, crossing to the North side of Crescent Road and continuing to Okte Elementary School in the Town of Clifton Park, and

WHEREAS, Bid Documents have been prepared by MJ Engineering and approved by New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT), now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town of Halfmoon, Town of Clifton Park and MJ Engineering are authorized to advertise Bids for Crescent Road Multi-Use Trail Project in the Newspapers of Record and in the New York State Contract Reporter.

Supervisor Tollisen: This is the project that is joint with the Town of Clifton Park and this is the next step in the process. The Town of Clifton Park passed their resolution at Monday night's meeting and we are following suit. While we are doing this jointly Clifton Park is the lead agency, but we also need to follow through. That is what this is for. Our Open Space and Trails Committee, we are glad that you guys are here with us tonight. I am glad that you have that update as well.

RESOLUTION NO. 203

Offered by Councilman Connors, seconded by Councilwoman Jordan: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Tollisen, Hotaling, Wasielewski, Jordan & Connors

RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the appropriate town employees and Supervisor to sign SaxBST LLP representation letter, per the review and approval of the Town Attorney.

Councilman Wasielewski: Mr. Supervisor, just confirming that this is for the Town's financial audit?

Supervisor Tollisen: Yes, and it not only requires my signature but I believe the Director of Finance signature as well.

Attorney Murohy: That is correct.

RESOLUTION NO. 204

Offered by Councilman Connors, seconded by Councilman Hotaling: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Tollisen, Hotaling, Wasielewski, Jordan & Connors

RESOLVED, that the Town Board appoints Nicholas McDonald as part time Court Officer at Grade 6 Base Pay at \$17.29 effective immediately, per completion of pre-employment testing.

Supervisor Tollisen: Congratulations, Mr. McDonald.

RESOLUTION NO. 205

Offered by Councilwoman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Hotaling: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Tollisen, Hotaling, Wasielewski, Jordan & Connors

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Halfmoon establish the following as standard work days for Board Member Jeremy Connors and will report the official to the New York State and Local Employee's Retirement System based on the time keeping system records or the record of activities maintained and submitted by this official to the clerk of this body.

RESOLUTION NO. 206

Offered by Councilman Wasielewski, seconded by Councilman Hotaling: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Tollisen, Hotaling, Wasielewski, Jordan & Connors

RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the Supervisor to make the attached Transfer between Appropriations and Creation of Appropriations

A resolution is needed to create the following budget amendment of appropriations and revenues in the Special Revenue Fund for engineering fees for on-site quality inspections. These funds are developer's monies held in escrow by the Town in a regular checking account and used for the payment of costs for that particular project. This resolution is necessary to comply with proper accounting procedures as set forth by NYS Department of Audit and Control.

Debit: Estimated Revenues 25-510 \$7,143.55
 Subsidiary: 25-4-2189 Home &
 Community Services \$7,143.55

Credit: Appropriations 25-960 \$7,143.55
 Subsidiary: 25-5-1440.40 Engineering
 Contractors Inspections \$7,143.55

Information Only: The above was derived from the following breakdown of charges to be paid on the June Abstract for engineering and related fees

NAME	AMOUNT
Betts Farm PDD	\$190.00
Creek View Estates	\$380.00
Fairway Meadows Ph III	\$160.00
Harbor Freight Retail	\$1,551.50
Howland PDD	\$923.55
Linden Village	\$540.00
Starbucks & Restaurant Site Plan	\$190.00
Stephenson Ridge Subdivision	\$190.00
421 Halfmoon Flex Park PDD	\$190.00
Mott Orchard	\$570.00
Swatling Falls	\$2,258.50
Total	\$7,143.55

Transfers between Appropriations

From Account	To Account	Amount	Reason
20-5-9710.70 Interest- Serial Bonds	20-5-9710.60 Principal- Serial Bonds	\$33,926	Transfer of appropriations needed for 2015 bond refunding

PUBLIC COMMENT (for discussion of non-agenda items)

Sam DeCell, 22 McBride Road: Question, there is talk about a grant that relates to sidewalks in the Mechanicville School District. I am wondering if the town received that grant and if so when is that going to go into effect?

Supervisor Tollisen: Are you talking the Safe Routes to School Project?

Sam DeCell: Correct.

Supervisor Tollisen: OK, so the Safe Routes to School Project, the town was awarded a grant for that which would basically go from the Mechanicville line and you know how they recreated the hill and the sidewalk there. The expectation would be to go forward from that point to get to the school. We were awarded, I believe \$250,000, I might be wrong in the exact amount, but that money is not enough to compete the project. So right now what the town is doing is looking at some different sources for additional funding to complete that project and or see if the grant approval will be willing to let us consider an alternate route for that. We do believe based upon what our grant writer is telling us which is Barton and Logudice, that there are some additional funding sources out there. That would proceed once we have the rest of the funds that are necessary.

Sam DeCell: Thank you.

Councilman Wasielewski: Sir, just to be clear, you do want to see those sidewalks happen?

Sam DeCell: Yes, absolutely.

Councilman Wasielewski: OK

Supervisor Tollisen: The intent of it Mr. DeCelle, it was originally scheduled last year and because if issues we did apply for another grant to basically have some sort of green type of concrete sidewalk. We were denied that grant so there are additional monies now that are out there. We had a meeting about a month ago to discuss a number of grants that are out there that we would like our grant writer to proceed in trying to get. It would be basically from the sidewalks to other Open Space & Trails projects that we have to infrastructure projects and quite possibly some other Open Space & Trail initiatives. There is a wide range of things going on. I have been in touch with the Superintendent of Mechanicville and let him know that this project is still going through and that we want it to continue but we are just waiting for a little bit more funding.

Sam DeCell: You say it was denied?

Supervisor Tollisen: When we went for the additional funding, that second part of the grant that we were looking for got denied. We still have the original grant monies so we are just looking for the additional monies that we need to move forward.

Sam DeCell: And who was it denied by?

Supervisor Tollisen: If you give me your phone number I will call you with it tomorrow because I do not have that at the top of my head.

Sam DeCell: Appreciate it. Thank you.

There being no further business to discuss or resolve, on a motion by Councilman Connors and seconded by Councilwoman Jordan, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lynda A. Bryan, Town Clerk